(c) The number of employees who died due to accidents in course of employment is as follows :—

Unit	No. of Employees who died in accidents
BURNPUR WORKS	15
KULTI WORKS	2

(d) The information is as given in part (b) except for Shri N. P. Hela at S. No. 1.

Reopening of Blast furnaces of IISCO

1830. SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA: Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government propose to reopen the closed Blast Furnaces, Rolling Mills Sheet Mills at the Burnpur works of IISCO;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether Government propose to rebuild any Blast Furnace and/or coke ovens at Kulti; if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF STEEL (SHRI SONTOSH MOHAN DEV): (a) and (b) SAIL are at present implementing a phased programme of reopening some of their units closed earlier. The details are as under :

(i) The light Structural Mill, which was closed earlier from September, 1989, has been put back into operation from May, 1991.

(ii) Blast Furnace No. 1, which was shout down since April, 1989, would be relined and put back in operation.

(iii) At present, there is no plan to restart the Sheet Mill.

(c) No, Sir.

Setting up of Central Workshop at IISCO

1831. SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA: Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are considering a proposal to open a Central Workshop at Kulti to cater to the needs of steel plants of the Eastern Zone under SAIL; if so, the details thereof; and

(b) whether there is any proposal for diversification of products at Kulti ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF STEEL (SHRI SONTOSH MOHAN DEV) : (a) There is already a central workshop of the SAIL group at Kulti, catering to the needs of all SAIL Steel Plants.

(b) Yes, Sir.

Late running of trains passing through Madhya Pradesh

1832. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are aware that almost all the trains of Central Railways passing through Madhya Pradesh consistently run late thereby causing inconvenience and losses to the passengers and railway users;

(b) whether Government have prepared any statistics of late running of Central Railway trains through Madhya Pradesh and compared the same with other railway trains passing through the State;

(c) if so, what is the percentage of trains of Central Railway/running late with other railway trains; and

(d) whether Government propose to compensate the passengers who incur losses due to late running of trains to protect consumer right of passengers?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) Sometimes, trains do run late which is mostly on account of factors beyond the control of Railways like agitations, alarm chain pulling and accidents.

(b) and (c) State-wise staristics are not compiled separately.

(d) There is no such proposal.

Setting up of Steel plant in Madhya Pradesh

1833. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI: Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received any proposal for the setting up of a pig iron plant in Dagori, District Bilaspur, Madhya Pradesh;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) what action Government have taken so far in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF STEEL (SHRI SONTOSH MOHAN DEV): (a) to (c) No, Sir. Pig iron industry has been delicensed subject to certain locational restrictions. Prior approval of any proposal, by the Government, before implementation, is therefore not necessary.

Survey of Railway line in Madhya Pradesh

1834. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that Dalli-Rajhara - Raughat - Narayanpur 1 Kondagoan-Jagdalpur Broad gauge Railway line in Madhya Pradesh was surveyed by Government in 1973-74;

(b) whether it is also a fact that Government has assured the Madhya Pradesh that the said Railway line would be constructed during the 7th Plan period but nothing was done in this regard;

(c) if so, the reasons for not constructing the railway line; and

(d) by when it would be constructed ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) The Preliminary Final Location and Traffic Survey for Dallirahara-Jagdalpur new BG railway line (235 km.) was carried out in 1974-75.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) and (d). The proposed line is single user line required by Steel Authority of India Ltd. (SAIL), for movement o iron ore to Bhilai. Cost has been advised to Ministry of Steel. Work can be take up as and when Ministry of Steel/SAIL arrange funding for this line.

Sustainable Agricultural Development

1835. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have finally accepted the goal of sustainable agricultura development and organic farming in the country;

(b) whether Government are intensifying efforts toward integrated pest management;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether Government are encouraging and supporting financially or otherwise NGOs like Voluntary Health Association of India in this direction; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN) : (a) Government are encouraging adoption of integrated Pest Management and the use of bio-fertilizers and organic manures to promote the objectives of sustainable agricultural development and organic farming in the country.

(b) and (c). Yes, Sir. In order to popularise the adoption of Integrated Pest Management Approach among farmers the Government have already established 25 Central Integrated Pest Management Centres in different States/Union Territories, in the country. It is proposed to set up 3 more such Centres during the 8th Five